

## **Feline Low Protein Diet**

### **General**

This recipe will produce a feline low protein diet with a restricted mineral and protein content. Although this diet should be satisfactory to maintain the weight and physiological response of an adult cat, the blood profile and body weight of the cat should be monitored at regular intervals.

### **Select one of each of the following nutrient groups:**

#### **A. Cereal Source (One of the following)**

- 440g of cooked rice ( $\approx$  2 cups)
- 220g of cooked macaroni ( $\approx$  2 cups)

#### **B. Protein Source**

- 180g of canned tuna ( $\approx$  1 cup)

#### **C. Oil Source**

- 45g of fish oil ( $\approx$  3 tbsp)

#### **D. Micronutrients**

- 5 g feline vitamin-mineral mix (1tsp)
- 5g bone meal (1tsp)
- 2g potassium salt (citrate or chloride) (1/3 tsp)

**Recipe Directions:** Mix all of the ingredients into a homogeneous mix of mash. This recipe will produce 667 grams (1 ½ pounds) of cat food that has an energy density of 1.367 Kcal/gram. A 10 pound cat requires approximately 315 Kcal per day. Therefore, a 10 pound cat should be fed 229 or approximately 1/3 of the recipe per day. The remainder of the mash should be stored in a sealed container in the freezer until required for feeding. At feeding, the mash should be thawed and heated in a microwave oven on high setting for 25 to 30 seconds.